

What is claimed is:

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1. An Internet home page data acquisition
2 method comprising the steps of:
3 transferring an access list held by a client
4 to a cache URL address storage server;
5 acquiring home page data by a cache server on
6 the basis of the transferred access list; and
7 transferring the acquired home page data from
8 said cache server to said client upon completion of
9 acquisition of the home page data.

2. A method according to claim 1, wherein
2 said client includes a server storage cyclic
3 folder for storing an access list to be transferred to
4 said cache URL address storage server, and
5 the step of transferring the access list
6 comprises transferring the access list retained in said
7 server storage cyclic folder to said cache URL address
8 storage server.

3. A method according to claim 1, wherein the
2 step of transferring the home page data comprises the
3 steps of:
4 causing said cache server to connect a line to
5 said client when acquisition of home page data is
6 completed; and

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7 transferring the acquired home page data from
8 said cache server to said client after the line is
9 connected.

4. A method according to claim 1, wherein the
2 step of transferring the home page data comprises the
3 steps of:

4 causing said client to connect a line to said
5 cache server when acquisition of home page data is
6 completed; and

7 transferring the acquired home page data from
8 said cache server to said client after the line is
9 connected.

5. A method according to claim 4, wherein the
2 step of connecting the line comprises the step of
3 periodically connecting the line to said cache server.

6. A method according to claim 4, wherein
2 the method further comprises the step of
3 causing said cache server to notify said client of an
4 acquisition end time when the access list is transferred,
5 and

6 the step of connecting the line comprises the
7 step of connecting the line to said cache server at the
8 notified acquisition end time.

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